

_____ 203 Library St.Off.Bldg.

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Dear Francis,

It is at the request of the Board of Directors of the Spartanburg Jr. Chamber of Commerce that I am writing this letter.

I know that public speaking is not a thing that most appeals to you, however, events of the past two and a half years are of much interest to others. The J.C.'s have asked me to contact you and ask if you would come here, expense paid, to speak on your experiences to a joint civic club meeting. If you can do this, and wish me to do it, I will be glad to assist you in preparing the speech as I have had much experience in public speaking and preparation of speeches. I do hope that you will say that you will come.

If clearance with the C.I.A. is necessary before you can consider anything like this, I am sending a carbon copy of this letter to the C.I.A.

If you will come, I feel sure that we can set the date at a time suitable to you. If I should happen to assist you on writing the speech, though I feel sure that a natural discussion of your experiences would not require this, then such fact would be secret and it would be your speech.

Hoping that I'll have the pleasure of a favorable reply and of seeing you soon, I am,

Cordially

Ken Robertson